

**PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Community Center  
1808 Main Street, Lake Stevens  
Wednesday, April 1, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04 pm by Chair Tom Matlack

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Matlack, Chairman, Janice Huxford, Mirza Avdic, Linda Hoult

MEMBERS ABSENT: Vice Chair Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Barnett,

STAFF PRESENT: Planning Director Rebecca Ableman McCrary, Lead Senior Planner Russ Wright and Clerk Jill Meis

OTHERS PRESENT: None

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**Excused Absence:** Commissioner Hoult made a motion to excuse Commissioners Petershagen, Davis and Barnett, Commissioner Huxford 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried 4-0-0-3.

Commissioner Petershagen arrived at 7:06pm

**Action Items:**

1. *Approve March 18, 2015 Meeting Minutes.* Commissioner Hoult made a motion to approve March 18, 2015 minutes, Commissioner Avdic 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 4-0-1-2.

**Discussion Items:** *Comp Plan Update (Economic Development and Land Use)*

Director Ableman McCrary presented the framework for the economic development chapter, answered questions, and asked for input. A power point presentation was given highlighting the need and history of economic development. An overview of the demographics and marketing trends for the city were provided for the Commission.

Lead Senior Planner Wright presented the updates in the Land Use chapter. He described a need for substantial updates to the goals and policies section that will require a more extensive update. A framework of the chapter was presented at this time rather than the completed chapter due to the time needed to make those changes. Future land use sections were presented and discussed. Input was given by the commission on housing options and future development.

**Commissioner Reports:** Commissioner Huxford gave an update on Aquafest. Commissioner Matlack reported that the road to Monte Cristo is closed for cleanup. Commissioner Avdic will be attending the Planner's Short Course. Commissioner Petershagen announced the Spring Regatta for the coming weekend.

**Planning Director Report:** Director Ableman stated we are still recruiting for a Senior Planner. She also stated the Park Board is scheduled to begin work on the citywide Trail Master Plan. Director Ableman plans to bring the Planning Commission work program to council in April.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Commissioner Petershagen, Commissioner Huxford 2<sup>nd</sup>, meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried 5-0-0-2.

  
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Jennifer Davis, Vice Chair

  
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Jill Meis, Clerk, Planning & Community Development